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Cc: Vranka, Joe[vranka.joe@epa.gov]
From: Cirian, Mike
Sent: Mon 10/31/2016 5:25:27 PM
Subject: FW: Flathead Beacon Profile

Hey Robert,

See Below,

Clare showed up a week ago Thursday and did an interview. More of a profile on me for the Beacon. Seemed to go okay.

Discussed both sites, asked about me and my family (Profile) and what lessons learned that might help me with CFAC.

Answers were:

Communication, Documentation, consistency in response actions, and building a team.

That's it in a nutshell.

Mike

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From: Clare Menzel [mailto:clare@flatheadbeacon.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 19, 2016 2:00 PM
To: Cirian, Mike <Cirian.Mike@epa.gov>

Subject: Re: Flathead Beacon Profile

Perfect. No sweat.

On Oct 19, 2016, at 1:51 PM, Cirian, Mike <Cirian.Mike@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Clare,

I'll call you as soon as I get a break. Maybe late today or sometime tomorrow. Sorry but I'm completely booked at this time

Mike

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 19, 2016, at 11:44 AM, Clare Menzel <clare@flatheadbeacon.com> wrote:

Hi Mike,

A quick note to follow up—I left a message for you yesterday morning, but it sounded like you were in meetings all day. I'll be in the office all day today and tomorrow if you want to give a call to touch base by phone. Thanks!

All best,

Clare

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On Oct 11, 2016, at 11:01 AM, Clare Menzel <clare@flatheadbeacon.com> wrote:

Hi Mike,

This is Clare, from the Beacon in Kalispell. I'm reaching out to see if you'd be open to a feature profile, possibly a cover profile, for the newspaper.

After listening to people at that Sept. 29 meeting voicing distrust in the system and the Superfund process, it seems to me like a root cause for concern is how hard it is to understand what's going on behind-the-scenes in these early stages, when there isn't a lot of reportable news or hard data—so I think a profile would be a good opportunity to shed some light on the processes you're overseeing, explain how everything will unfold from here, and also humanize the situation. I'd also be really interested to share stories about what you learned with the Libby Superfund and how that can transfer to this process in Columbia Falls.

Feel free if you want to chat about the story or if you have any questions. My number is 407-9545. Thanks!

All best,

Clare

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